Claims

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. (Original) A method comprising:
- a mobile client device, on behalf of a user, submitting an identity of the user
- 3 to a messaging service, including a current location of the user;
- 4 the messaging service, in response, selecting a recipient remotely disposed
- 5 from the mobile client device and the messaging service to receive the user's
- 6 current location for information purpose, based at least in part on the identity of
- 7 the user; and
- 8 transmitting the user's current location to the selected recipient.
- 1 2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprising
- 2 accumulating submitted locations of the user to form an activity log of the user.
- 1 3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein said recipient is also to receive
- 2 the activity log, and said transmitting includes transmitting said activity log...
- 1 4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the activity log of the user
- 2 further comprises a duration of time at the locations visited by the user.
- 1 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein submitting comprises the
- 2 mobile client device automatically determining at least a selected one of the
- 3 user's current location, and one or more bio-metric data of the user.

- 1 6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein automatically determining of the
- 2 user's current location comprises the mobile client device accessing a global
- 3 positioning system (GPS).
- 1 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises
- 2 the messaging service accessing a navigation web site to obtain map related
- 3 information, and said transmitting further comprises including said obtained map
- 4 related information.
- 1 8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said submitting comprises
- 2 submitting automatically in response to a singular user action, selecting a
- 3 dedicated function button or a bio-metric data of the user exceeding a pre-
- 4 determined threshold.
- 1 9. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said transmitting is performed
- 2 automatically in response to a request from an empowered recipient instead.
- 1 10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein submitting comprises submitting
- 2 via a wireless communication connection.
- 1 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said selecting comprises
- 2 selecting the one or more recipients from a predetermined table of candidate
- 3 recipients, with each candidate recipient having an eligibility duration.
- 1 12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting comprises
- 2 transmitting via a wireless communication connection.

- 1 13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said selecting comprises
- 2 selecting a transitory recipient manually input by the user at the mobile client
- 3 device.
- 1 14. (Original) A mobile apparatus comprising:
- 2 a storage medium having stored therein a plurality of instructions that are
- 3 machine executable, wherein the executing instructions operate to submit an
- 4 identity of a user, and a current location of the user to a messaging service, on
- 5 behalf of the user, to enable the messaging service to select, in response, a
- 6 recipient remotely disposed from the apparatus and the message service to
- 7 receive the user's current location, based at least in part on the identity of the
- 8 user, and transmit the user's current location to the selected one or more
- 9 recipients; and
- a processor coupled to the storage medium to execute the instructions.
- 1 15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to accumulate submitted locations of the user to form an activity
- 3 log of the user.
- 1 16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 operate to automatically determine at least a selected one of the user's current
- 3 location, and one or more bio-metric data of the user.
- 1 17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 16, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 operate to access a global positioning system (GPS).

- 1 18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the messaging service
- 2 further operates to access a navigation web site.
- 1 19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 operate to submit automatically in response to a singular user action, selecting a
- 3 dedicated function button or a bio-metric data of the user exceeding/falling below
- 4 a predetermined threshold.
- 1 20. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the messaging service
- 2 operates to transmit the user's location information automatically in response to
- 3 a request from an empowered recipient instead.
- 1 21. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 operate to submit the user's current location via a wireless communication
- 3 connection.
- 1 22. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:
- 2 a storage medium having stored therein a plurality of instructions to
- 3 receive a submission of an identity of a user and a current locaition of the user
- 4 from a mobile client device of the user, to select, in response, one or more
- 5 recipients to receive the user's current location, based at least in part on the
- 6 identity of the user, and to transmit the user's current location to the selected one
- 7 or more recipients.
- 1 23. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to accumulate submitted locations of the user to form an activity
- 3 log of the user.

- 1 24. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions.
- 2 further operate to facilitate the user in setting up recipients eligible to receive the
- 3 user's current location.
- 1 25. (Original) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to facilitate the user in setting eligibility durations for the
- 3 recipients.
- 1 26. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to access a navigation web site to obtain map related information
- 3 to include the map related information with said current location of the user.
- 1 27. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 operate to receive said identity and current location of the user submitted
- 3 automatically in response to a singular user action, selecting a dedicated
- 4 function button or a bio-metric data exceeding/falling below a predetermined
- 5 threshold.
- 1 28. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to transmit the user's current location automatically in response
- 3 to a request from an empowered recipient instead.
- 1 29. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 take into consideration candidate recipients' eligibility duration when performing
- 3 said selection of recipients. .

- 1 30. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22, wherein the executing instructions
- 2 further operate to receive from the mobile client device, the user's bio-metric
- 3 data, and transmitting the bio-metric data to one or more eligible recipients.